

104TH CONGRESS  
2D SESSION

# S. 1652

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## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MARCH 28, 1996

Mr. McCONNELL introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

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1       *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2       *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3       **SECTION 1. FINDINGS.**

4       The Congress finds that—

5               (1) an investigation to find a missing child pre-  
6       sents unique circumstances for law enforcement

1 agencies, including the need for specialized training  
2 and the capability of swift response to maximize the  
3 chances for the safe recovery of the child;

4 (2) local law enforcement officials often lack ex-  
5 perience and are unaware of the Federal resources  
6 available to assist in the investigation of cases in-  
7 volving a missing child; and

8 (3) a national training facility should be estab-  
9 lished to assist State and local law enforcement  
10 agencies in—

11 (A) providing comprehensive training in in-  
12 vestigations of cases involving missing or ex-  
13 ploited children;

14 (B) ensuring uniform, consistent, and  
15 meaningful use of reporting systems and proc-  
16 esses; and

17 (C) promoting the use of vital national re-  
18 sources.

19 **SEC. 2. AMENDMENT.**

20 Section 404(b)(2)(D) of the Juvenile Justice and De-  
21 linquency Prevention Act of 1974 is amended by striking  
22 “children; and” and inserting “children, including—

23 “(i) the establishment of an onsite  
24 training center at the national clearing-  
25 house to be known as the Jimmy Ryce

1 Law Enforcement Training Center for the  
2 Recovery of Missing Children, designed  
3 to—

4 “(I) assist high-level law enforce-  
5 ment leaders from across the country,  
6 selected by State officials, to develop  
7 effective protocols and policies for the  
8 investigation and prosecution of cases  
9 involving a missing or exploited child;  
10 and

11 “(II) introduce those officials to  
12 resources available from the clearing-  
13 house and Federal agencies to assist  
14 in cases involving a missing or ex-  
15 ploited child;

16 “(ii) nationwide training in report-  
17 taking and data entry in cases involving  
18 missing or exploited children for informa-  
19 tion specialists, conducted at State and  
20 local law enforcement facilities by employ-  
21 ees of the national clearinghouse and the  
22 National Crime Information Center of the  
23 Federal Bureau of Investigation, designed  
24 to ensure that necessary information re-  
25 garding cases involving missing or ex-

1           exploited children is gathered and entered at  
2           the local level in a timely and effective  
3           manner; and

4           “(iii) State-based basic investigation  
5           training in cases involving missing or ex-  
6           ploited children for State and local police  
7           investigators selected by State officials,  
8           conducted by employees of the national  
9           clearinghouse and the Office of Juvenile  
10          Justice and Delinquency Prevention of the  
11          Department of Justice, designed to provide  
12          practical instruction in the investigation of  
13          cases involving missing or exploited chil-  
14          dren; and”.

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